

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Please amend the first paragraph page 1, as follows:**

The present invention relates to an SAW (Surface Acoustic Wave) element which is composed of a plurality of SAW resonators, and an SAW device in which the SAW element is mounted, in particular to a technique effectively applicable to the SAW element of which ~~an RADA-type~~ a ladder-type circuit is constituted by these SAW resonators. Further, the present invention is also applied to a dual-type filter and a branching filter each of which is using a plurality of SAW elements. Furthermore, the present invention also relates to a technique effectively applicable in particular to reduction of coupling between a plurality of SAW elements.

**Please amend the second full paragraph on page 5, as follows:**

According to another aspect of the present invention, there is provided an SAW device in which an SAW element is mounted, said SAW element including ~~an RADA-type~~ a ladder-type circuit which has a serial arm formed between input and output terminals and which has a plurality of parallel arms formed between said serial arm and a reference potential terminal, said SAW device comprising:

**Please amend the third full paragraph on page 13, as follows:**

As illustrated in Fig. 2, the SAW filter 11 mounted on the SAW filter device 10

comprises a serial arm 17 formed between an input terminal 15 and an output terminal 16, three parallel arms 19 connected between the serial arm 17 and a reference potential terminal 18. Accordingly, an ~~RADA~~-type a ladder-type circuit is constituted by the serial arm 17 and the parallel arms 19.

**Please amend the third full paragraph on page 22, as follows:**

As illustrated in Fig. 6, in the SAW element 11 according to the third embodiment, a serial arm (first wiring portion) 17 is formed between an input terminal 15 and an output terminal 16. Further, a plurality of (four) parallel arms (second wiring portions) 19 are connected between the serial arm 17 and reference potential terminals 18. Accordingly, an ~~RADA~~-type a ladder-type circuit is constituted by the serial arm 17 and the parallel arms 19.

**Please amend the first full paragraph on page 26, as follows:**

The above-mentioned meritorious effect can be obtained also in the constitution of this embodiment, namely, it becomes possible also in the constitution of this embodiment to drastically enlarge attenuating amount at a frequency range outside the pass-band without increasing insertion loss. Therefore, in view of the point of making a surface area of the SAW element 11 be small to produce a smaller device, it is desirable to use a layout of this embodiment illustrated in Figs. 6 and 8. Namely, it is desirable to use the layout in which two first SAW resonators 21, two second SAW resonators 22 and two third SAW resonators 23 are used, respectively, that is such a layout in which two single unit elements are formed in the SAW element 11. Further, the present invention was applied to an ~~RADA~~-type a ladder-type

circuit in the above embodiment. However, the present invention is not restricted to such an ~~RADA-type~~ a ladder-type circuit.

**Please amend the first full paragraph on page 30, as follows:**

In the examples illustrated in Figs. 12 and 13, the wiring 219 between the input terminal 216 and the output terminal 217 is formed to be a serial arm. Further, a plurality of parallel arms that are the wirings 219 are formed between the serial arm and the ground electrodes 218. Accordingly, the SAW resonators 215 are located in the serial arm and the parallel arms to constitute an ~~RADA-type~~ a ladder-type circuit. The other constitutions of a circuit can be used. The piezo-electric substrate 222 is formed by a piezo-electric single crystal, such as LiNbO<sub>3</sub>, LiTaO<sub>3</sub>, crystal, and the like, or formed by piezo-electric ceramics, such as lead titanate zirconate piezo-electric ceramics. Alternatively, an insulating substrate on which a piezo-electric thin film, such as a ZnO thin film, and the like is formed may be used as the piezo-electric substrate 222.